

DOCKET SECTION

BEFORE THE
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UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOLLOW-UP
INTERROGATORIES AND REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS TO
THE DIRECT MARKETING ASSOCIATION, INC. WITNESS BUC
(USPS/DMA-T1-22-23)

Pursuant to rules 25 and 26 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure and rule 2 of the Special Rules of Practice, the United States Postal Service directs the following interrogatories and requests for production of documents to the Direct Marketing Association, Inc. witness Buc: USPS/DMA-T1-22-23.

Respectfully submitted,

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USPS/DMA-T1-22. Please refer to your response to USPS/DMA-T1-6 part c. You state that "IOCS. . .was designed to find the cost of mail processing by class and subclass." Please also refer to page 1 of Exhibit USPS-47A (USPS-ST-47).

- a. Please confirm that "[t]he In-Office Cost System uses a probability sample of work time to estimate the costs for time spent on various activities, including time spent processing each category of mail and several special services." If you do not confirm, please explain fully.
- b. Please confirm that the "various activities" for clerks and mailhandlers include, but are not limited to, "time spent processing each category of mail and several special services." If you do not confirm, please explain fully.

USPS/DMA-T1-23. Please refer to your response to USPS/DMA-T1-11, part a. You state that your programs do not use any IOCS data other than office group to distribute mixed mail costs.

- a. Please confirm that your programs assign costs for mixed class-specific activity codes (activity codes 5300-5461) to the appropriate subclass(es) of mail. If you do not confirm, please explain fully.
- b. Please refer to line 1111 of the SAS log at page 29 of DMA-LR-2.

Did you intend to exclude activity code 5461 from the direct tally set? If so, please explain fully. If not, please provide a version of Exhibit DMA 3 in which activity code 5461 is included in the direct tally set.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.



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